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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - SEPTEMBER 30

1. HIGHLIGHTS:

--U.S. AND OTHER FOREIGN COVERAGE IS VERY LIGHT.

-- PRAVDA IS DOMINATED BY FULL TEXT OF SOVIET DRAFT NUF
TREATY AND MEMORANDUM ON DISARMAMENT TOPICS PRESENTED TO THE UNGA.

-- THE PRESS PLAYS BACK NUMEROUS FAVORABLE COMMENTS ON
GROMYKO'S UNGA SPEECH AND REPORTS HIS FURTHER MEETINGS
IN NEW YORK.

-- THE TASS REPORT OF GROMYKO'S MEETING WITH JAPANESE
FORMIN KOSAKA (CARRIED IN ALL CENTRAL PRESS), SAYS THAT
GROMYKO CALLED KOSAKA'S ATTENTION TO "RECENT ACTIVITIES
BY THE JAPANESE SIDE WHICH WERE CONTRARY TO THE POLICY
OF GOOD-NEIGHBORLY RELATIONS." PRAVDA ALSO CARRIES
A TASS PARIS ITEM REPLAYING AN AFP REPORT THAT 20 AMERI-
CANS WERE INVOLVED IN DISMANTLING THE "SOVIET PLANE"
IN JAPAN.

-- ON CHINA, PRAVDA FOLLOWS ITS EARLIER (SEPT 29) IMPLICITLY
CRITICAL REPORT OF THE LATEST CHINESE NUCLEAR EXPLOSION
WITH A TASS TOKYO REPORT THAT THE MAYOR OF HIROSHIMA
SENT A PROTEST TO THE CHINESE EMBASSY. TASS SAYS THAT
THE CHINESE "REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE PROTEST FROM THE
RESIDENTS OF THE CITY WHICH SUFFERED FROM THE AMERICAN
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ATOMIC BOMB IN AUGUST 1945". PRAVDA ALSO CARRIES A TASS
PEKING ITEM REPORTING THAT FORMER SECDEF SCHLESINGER
MET WITH HUA KUO-FENG, YEH CH'EN-YING AND CHIAO KUAN-
HUA, AND DISCUSSED FOREIGN POLICY AND "MILITARY QUES-
TIONS" WITH THEM.

-- PRAVDA, IN A TASS VIENNA ITEM, REPORTS THE ARRIVAL
THERE OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION TO THE FALL ROUND OF

MBFR TALKS. THE DELEGATION IS HEADED BY N.K. TARASOV.
COMMENT. TARASOV'S LAST POSTING WAS AMBASSADOR IN
MEXICO CITY. END COMMENT.

-- PRAVDA HAS NO COVERAGE OF LEBANESE EVENTS. IZVESTIYA
HAS SHORT "PRESS-SERVICE" ACCOUNT CITING FOREIGN NEWS
AGENCIES ON SIMULTANEOUS ATTACK BY RIGHTIST FORCES
AND SYRIAN TROOPS ON POSITIONS OF NATIONAL-PATRIOTIC
FORCES AND PALESTINE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT. ARTICLE
DESCRIBES ARAFAT'S TELEPHONE PLEA TO SADAT,
BOUMEDIENE AND QADHAFI TO "INTERVENE IN LEBANESE
EVENTS."

-- IZVESTIYA MENTIONS KOSYGIN AND PODGORNYY TELEGRAMS
TO THEIR YEMENI COUNTERPARTS ON YAR REVOLUTION DAY.
-- PRAVDA MENTIONS SEPT 22 - 29 VISIT TO SOVIET UNION
OF IRAQI BAATH PARTY ACTIVISTS WHO WORK IN IRAQI
ARMY.

-- ON AFRICA PRAVDA HAS SHORT TASS DAR ES SALAAM
ACCOUNT OF NYERERE'S PRESS CONFERENCE IN WHICH HE
REPORTEDLY CRITICIZED U.S.- BRITISH PLAN FOR RHODESIA.

2. U.S.:

-- PRAVDA CARRIES A BRIEF TASS GENEVA ITEM REPORTING
THE REGULAR SALT MEETING OF SEPT 29.

-- PRAVDA CARRIES A TASS WASHINGTON ITEM REPORTING
THE PRESIDENT'S MEETING TO BRIEF CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS
ON AFRICAN POLICY. THE TASS REPORT NOTES THAT CIA
DIRECTOR BUSH WAS PRESENT, ALONG WITH SECRETARY
KISSINGER, AND CHARGES THAT U.S. AFRICA POLICY IS WORKED
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